



# Out of the Heart

A newsletter for and about  
Trinity Avenue  
Presbyterian Church and  
its ministry  
For people who minister  
from the heart of God

December/January 2000

## A FESTIVAL OF LESSONS AND CAROLS



Sunday, December 24 at 5:30 pm

THE CHANCEL CHOIR

Music for choir & instruments

## Christmas

at

## Trinity Avenue Presbyterian

- December 2 - Parents' Day Out - free babysitting
- December 3 - Joy Offering/Toy Drive
- December 7 - Hanging of the Greens
- December 10 - Cantata during the 11:00 worship service (no 9 am service)
- December 16 - Youth Christmas Caroling and Progressive Dinner
- December 17 - Christmas Family Night begins at 5:00 pm
- December 24 - (No 9 am service)  
11:00 am Worship & communion  
Christmas Eve Service at 5:30 pm
- December 31 - (No 9 am Service)

## Building Up The Body of Christ!

*being in touch*

*December 3 - 31*

**To Equip the saints for  
the work of ministry!**

## *Building up the body to... be in touch!*

The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad, the desert shall rejoice and blossom; like the crocus it shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice with joy and singing. The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it, the majesty of Carmel and Sharon. They shall see the glory of the LORD, the majesty of our God. Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees. Say to those who are of a fearful heart, "Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you." Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert... (Isaiah 35)

When I was in Jerusalem a few years ago, our tour group took an excursion out into the desert. Our vehicle looked much like a lunar rover, which was appropriate because the desert was every bit like a moonscape. The grayish ground was dry, hard and sharp, like walking on barnacles.

Later that day we traveled down to the area where the Dead Sea scrolls were found, and while we were there the clouds grew dark and opened up. It rained, and I mean rained.

"This is highly unusual," said our guide, "One or two inches of rain a year at the most." The water poured off the desert and over the cliffs in instant waterfalls. When the rain passed, we returned up the mountain and through the desert to Jerusalem. It suddenly was a new creation! The desert had blossomed. Underneath that hard surface was life. We stopped our vehicle, got out, and someone in our group

read from Isaiah. "The wilderness and the dry land shall be made glad the desert shall rejoice...and blossom."

Isaiah speaks of the coming of the Lord. Words that we hold on to during the season of Advent when we wait expectantly for our Lord to come and make the dry and barren places of our lives fresh and new. Please take time out this season to read the scriptures and pray. Do this either alone or with your family. Take time this season to ring a bell, cook a meal, offer love to someone in need, allow the grace of God to fall on your deserts and watch for joy to blossom.

### **Being in Touch with Advent!**

December 3<sup>rd</sup> begins the season of Advent. Advent is the time to prepare for the One who comes as our Judge and Redeemer. There is a voice of one crying in the wilderness, "Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight." We believe that Christ is coming again and we are to prepare the way. The call of Advent is then to care about our world, our neighbors, our enemies- everyone.

*Love is not a doctrine.*

*Peace is not an international agreement.*

*Love and Peace are beings which live as possibilities in us.*

-Mary Caroline Richards

In Christ,

*Donovan Drake*

## Choir schedule for December, 2000

### ANGELUS CHOIR

Rehearsal on Wednesday, December 6<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m.

Rehearsal on Wednesday, December 13<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m.

Rehearsal on Saturday, December 16<sup>th</sup> at 10:45 a.m.

Rehearsal on Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 p.m.  
CHRISTMAS PAGEANT AT 5:00 PM

### CHAPEL CHOIR

Rehearsal on Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 12:15 – 1:15 p.m.

Rehearsal on Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m. WITH Chancel Choir  
And Trinity Chamber Orchestra.

Rehearsal on Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:45 a.m WITH Chancel Choir  
And Trinity Chamber Orchestra  
SING Cantata no. 147 by Johann Sebastian Bach at 11:00 a.m. service

Rehearsal on Saturday, December 16<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary.

Rehearsal on Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm for Christmas Musical  
Perform for CHRISTMAS FAMILY NIGHT at 5:00 p.m.

BOTH CHAPEL AND ANGELUS CHOIRS HAVE A CHRISTMAS BREAK  
UNTIL JANUARY 14<sup>TH</sup>, 2001.

NOTICE TO ALL CHOIR PARENTS: PLEASE NOTE ALL THE CHOIR  
DATES IN DECEMBER FOR YOUR FAMILY CALENDARS AND BE SURE  
YOUR CHILD ATTENDS EACH REHEARSAL/PERFORMANCE  
**PROMPTLY!**



**CANTATA NO 147**

**HERZ UND MUND UND TAT UND LEBEN  
(Heart and Mouth and Deed and Living)**

**By Johann Sebastian Bach  
Presented by the  
CHANCEL CHOIR  
&**

**TRINITY CHAMBER ORCHESTRA**  
*Elizabeth Linnartz, soprano Lisa Fredenburgh, alto*  
*John Daniecki, tenor Ken Davis, baritone*

**Harry Jansen, Director of Music**

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2000**  
At the 11:00 a.m. service



*Building up the body to...  
equip our youth!*

# Youth News

## What's Up?

### DECEMBER

- 2 Parents' Day Out—babysit for TAPC parents while they do some Christmas shopping
- 3 2-5 pm Toy Drive—bring \$10 to buy a toy for a child who needs it
- 10 6-7:30 pm Youth Group
- 16 Christmas Caroling & Progressive Dinner
- 17 Christmas Family Night
- 22 Sign-ups & deposits for Montreat due
- 24 5:30 pm Christmas Eve Worship Service
- 25 Merry Christmas!!
- 31 Happy New Year!!

### JANUARY

- 7 Magical Mystery Tour—Come and be surprised!!
- 14 6-7:30 Youth Group
- 19-21 Youth Ski Trip
- 28 Superbowl Subsale—meet in refectory at 9:30am; 6-7:30 pm Youth Group

This summer middle school youth are going to Massanetta Springs in Virginia & high school youth are going back to Montreat. Be on the lookout for how you can sign up for the best week of your summer!

### Chili Lunch Thank You

Thanks so much to everyone who helped set-up, serve, & clean-up for the Chili Lunch on November 12, especially to Gerda Medley who coordinated the lunch and to all the parents who helped cook! Thanks also to all of you who came out in droves to support our youth ministry with your presence, your good taste in food, and with your financial contributions. The proceeds from the lunch will go a long way toward helping our youth attend summer conferences.

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FROM THE NEW MEMBERS AND VISITORS  
Committee...

Meet TAPC's most recent additions who joined our family of faith Sunday, November 5th. Their pictures are on the bulletin board outside the church office.

**Christine Bullard**

7 Lorelei Court, Durham, NC 27713  
Phone/544-5176

Christine comes by letter of transfer from Myrtle Grove Presbyterian Church in Wilmington, NC. She is employed at INGENIX Pharmecy Systems. She has joined the choir and handbells.

**Greg and Cammie Dale**

11 Chimney Top Court, Durham, NC 27705  
Phone/401-9640

This couple comes by transfer from Westminster Presbyterian Church in Rock Hill, SC. Greg is an associate professor at Duke. Cammie is a part-time track coach at UNC. They have two children—Abbey (5 yrs. old) and Graham (2 yrs. old).

**Kyle and Kelly Elliott**

11 Pulley Place, Durham, NC 27707  
Phone/489-1919

The Elliotts come by transfer from Epworth Methodist church here in Durham. Kyle is employed at Wachovia and Kelly is at Oak Value Capital Management. They have two children—Hannah (2 years old) and Grace (3 months old).

**Henry and Betty Halboth**

10 Garretson Court, Durham, NC 27705  
Phone/384-2045

Betty and Henry come by transfer from First Presbyterian in Red Bank, New Jersey. They are fairly new comers to Durham—having retired, and reside in Croasdaile Village.

**Graham and Judy Whitesell**

6 Annapolis Court, Durham, NC 27705  
Phone/383-5354

Graham and Judy come by transfer from Trinity Presbyterian in Pensacola, Florida. Graham is a scientist at Glaxo Wellcome. Judy is a full-time homemaker with two children—Sam (9 yrs. Old) and Amy (6 yrs. old).

## Subs are Back by Popular Demand

2001 Super Bowl Sunday

### SUBMARINE SANDWICH SALE

Support the Youth at Trinity Avenue in their efforts to go to Montreat and Massanetta Springs Youth Conferences this summer, **AND** plan your meal for January 28, 2000, more commonly known as "Super Bowl Sunday" We'll do everything in our power to prevent snow on Super Bowl Sunday this year.

You can even personalize your order of a hand-made, 10", mouth-watering, toe-tapping, satisfying, lovingly crafted sub sandwich. Feel free to order more than one (your friends will be hungry too!) Look for sign-up forms in future worship bulletins & in the church office.

### BEAUTIFUL TAPC CUSTOM CHRISTMAS ORNAMENTS ON SALE

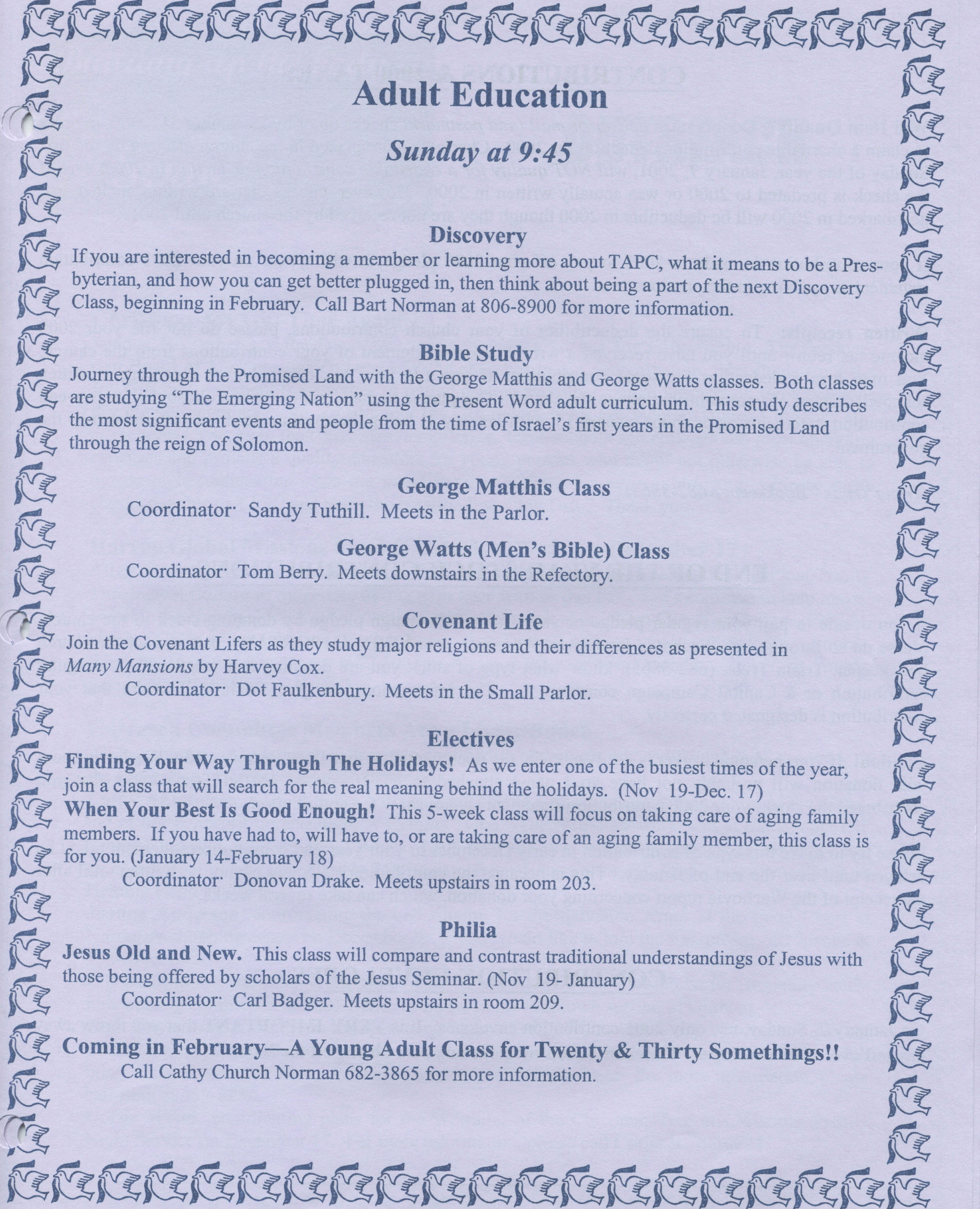
Support our youth at TAPC as they raise money for summer youth conferences and get a wonderful keepsake too! The ornaments are pewter-finished & custom-designed. They picture the outside of our sanctuary. Ornaments cost \$20 each and will be available in time for Christmas. They also make great gifts. You can pre-order an ornament (or more than one) by sending or dropping off the following order form with \$20 to the church office. A sample is available for viewing in the church office.

#### TAPC CHRISTMAS ORNAMENTS

Available for the first time ever! Custom designed, pewter finish ornaments of Trinity Avenue Presbyterian. Approximately 2 1/2" in diameter, they are ready to hang on your tree and are absolutely beautiful! A sample ornament can be seen in the church office - TAPC ornaments will be here around the third week of December, and are \$20 each. To reserve your ornament(s), please fill out this form, make your check payable to TAPC (write on the memo line "Ornament" ), and send in to the church office. Reserve yours today!

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Daytime phone # \_\_\_\_\_

I am ordering \_\_\_\_ ornaments at \$20 each and have enclosed my check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_



# Adult Education

*Sunday at 9:45*

## Discovery

If you are interested in becoming a member or learning more about TAPC, what it means to be a Presbyterian, and how you can get better plugged in, then think about being a part of the next Discovery Class, beginning in February. Call Bart Norman at 806-8900 for more information.

## Bible Study

Journey through the Promised Land with the George Matthis and George Watts classes. Both classes are studying "The Emerging Nation" using the Present Word adult curriculum. This study describes the most significant events and people from the time of Israel's first years in the Promised Land through the reign of Solomon.

## George Matthis Class

Coordinator: Sandy Tuthill. Meets in the Parlor.

## George Watts (Men's Bible) Class

Coordinator: Tom Berry. Meets downstairs in the Refectory.

## Covenant Life

Join the Covenant Lifers as they study major religions and their differences as presented in *Many Mansions* by Harvey Cox.

Coordinator: Dot Faulkenbury. Meets in the Small Parlor.

## Electives

**Finding Your Way Through The Holidays!** As we enter one of the busiest times of the year, join a class that will search for the real meaning behind the holidays. (Nov 19-Dec. 17)

**When Your Best Is Good Enough!** This 5-week class will focus on taking care of aging family members. If you have had to, will have to, or are taking care of an aging family member, this class is for you. (January 14-February 18)

Coordinator: Donovan Drake. Meets upstairs in room 203.

## Philia

**Jesus Old and New.** This class will compare and contrast traditional understandings of Jesus with those being offered by scholars of the Jesus Seminar. (Nov 19- January)

Coordinator: Carl Badger. Meets upstairs in room 209.

**Coming in February—A Young Adult Class for Twenty & Thirty Somethings!!**

Call Cathy Church Norman 682-3865 for more information.



## CONTRIBUTIONS & 2000 TAXES

**Will Item Qualify?** Donors must *deliver or mail (and postmark)* checks on or by December 31, 2000, in order to claim a charitable contribution deduction for 2000. Checks that are placed in the church offering on the first Sunday of the year, January 7, 2001, *will NOT qualify for a charitable contribution deduction in 2000*, even if the check is predated to 2000 or was actually written in 2000. However, checks that are written, mailed, and postmarked in 2000 will be deductible in 2000 though they are not received by the church until 2001

If your contribution is made in 2001 to pay off your 2000 pledge, it will appear on your 2001 contribution statement as applying to the previous year

**Written receipts:** To ensure the deductibility of your church contributions, please do not file your 2000 income tax return until you have received a written acknowledgment of your contributions from the church. You may lose a deduction for some contributions if you file your tax return before receiving a written acknowledgment of your contributions to the church. Our plan is to mail Trinity Avenue Presbyterian year-end contribution statements on or about January 15, with January 31 being the absolute deadline as mandated by the government.

*(Tricia Truax - Bookkeeper 682-3865)*

## END OF THE YEAR STOCK CONTRIBUTIONS

If you decide to pay your regular pledge or your Capital Campaign pledge by donating stock to the church, please do so through our Wachovia Investment Account. It is **VERY IMPORTANT** that you let the church bookkeeper, Tricia Truax (682-3865), know what type of stock you are donating and whether it is a regular contribution or a Capital Campaign contribution. The information you give Tricia will assure that your contribution is designated correctly

**Caution!** If your personal broker is not Wachovia, the documentation that Tricia receives from Wachovia about your donation will probably not have your name attached to it. If you do not let Tricia know that you contributed the stock, your 2000 contribution statement cannot show the contribution.

Please try to make this type of contribution in early December or your year-end contribution statement might be delayed until near the end of January. This is because the contribution statement cannot be written until after the receipt of the Wachovia report concerning your donation, which can take several weeks.

## CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES

On January 7, Sunday, use only 2001 contribution envelopes. It is **VERY IMPORTANT** that you throw away any left over 2000 envelopes. The contribution envelope numbers **changed** for 2001

Building up the body  
to...  
**Serve!**

## OUTREACH

### Christmas Joy Gift Time Again

Sunday, December 3, is the date of this year's annual **Christmas Joy Gift** offering. The Presbyterian Board of Missions, which serves all the churches in our denomination, uses funds from the Joy Gift to supplement the incomes of retired pastors and other church workers on fixed pensions that are no longer adequate. In addition, Joy Gift money helps Presbyterian students in racial ethnic schools. Thanks to the Christmas Joy Offering, these schools and colleges can meet operating expenses and provide a quality education for young persons who might not otherwise be able to pursue higher education. See the insert in your bulletin for more information. Please make checks payable to TAPC and mark the notation line "Joy Gift." Thank you.

### Harvey Global Missions Fund Quarterly Offering is December 17

All of us were inspired as we listened to **Tom and Judy Harvey** tell us about their work at Trinity Theological College in Singapore during their time with us this fall. Let's continue to help make possible the Harveys' work, as well as our part in the work at Southern Christian College, Philippines. SCC is where John and Carolyn Beran, Beth Drake's parents, taught before their recent retirement. Our goal this quarter is \$2,500.00. Please make your check payable to TAPC and mark the notation line "Harvey Fund."

### Outreach Committee Members Are a Lively Bunch

All members of the Outreach Committee continue to make valuable contributions to the work of the committee. Currently, special thanks go to:

**Cathy Ahrendsen**, who, with her staff, recently hosted a 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration of the founding of her nonprofit organization, A Helping Hand. The festivities were held at the Chapel Hill Senior Citizens Center on Elliot Road. AHH provides non-medical assistance for older or disabled persons. They also provide respite care free of charge for full-time caregivers. Reach A Helping Hand at 969-7111.

**Joanne Anderson**, coordinating the bell ringing for the Salvation Army at the Food Court at Northgate shopping center on December 9. If you would like to join the fun, please call Joanne at 598-8795.

**Bill Drummond** and **Bert Wolf**, supervising construction of TAPC's Habitat for Humanity house now nearing completion at 1021 Berkeley Street in the Walltown section of Durham.

**Beth Pierce**, who, in addition to supervising a group of TAPC members in preparing and serving a meal at the Durham Shelter for Hope every 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday, will be coordinating plans for an adult mission trip in summer 2001. Participants must be 21 years of age. For more information, please call Beth at 389-8254.

**Corlis Wood**, coordinating plans for the Warming of the Chrismon Tree at Christmas Family Night Service on December 17. For more information, please call Corlis at 286-4024.

## WDS — REGISTRATION

Registration for the 2000-2001 school year will begin the first week of January. Spaces are limited. Call Judi Bishop at 530-8163 for information.



### Circles Moderators

- Circle 1** - Virginia Barrett (489-5596)  
Will meet in the church parlor on Tuesday, December 5, at 10:00 am.
- Circle 2** - Phyllis Cagle (489-4760)  
Will meet Monday, December 4, at the home of Mayme Hampton at 10:30 am. The project will be non perishable food items for the Salvation Army.
- Circle of Faith** - Linda Braddock (493-5321)  
Will meet in the parlor on Monday, December 11, at 7:00 pm - everyone is asked to bring a Christmas ornament to exchange and a special snack to share.
- Circle 4** - Dutton Moore (286-4660) Will meet Monday, December 4, at the home of Alisa Chavez at 7:30 pm. We will be planning for "Share a Christmas".

## Christmas Family Night: Sunday, December 17th "Warming of the Chrismon Tree"

And how is TAPC's Christmas tree - decorated with Chrismon ornaments (Christian symbols) "warmed", you may be asking? It is "warmed" by the children (and adults if they so wish to participate) bringing wrapped gifts to place under the tree for those less fortunate to have a more joyous Christmas.

What are the choices of gifts to be brought? There can be warm articles of clothing in large and ex-large men's sizes to be given to the men at Phoenix House (one of the rehabilitation homes of Housing for New Hope). This can be jackets, sweat shirts/pants sets, gloves, and caps. Please, wrap and label as to contents and size of gift. The other choice is mittens, gloves, caps, and warm clothing for children to be distributed by social services. Again, please, wrap and label as to contents, size, and indicate whether the item is for a boy or girl.

There will be a place in the evening's service when children and adults can come forward and place their gifts under the tree.

Any questions, please call Corlis Wood 286-4024  
Outreach Committee

Come celebrate the season at Christmas Family Night, December 17th at 5:00 pm. Bring your favorite Christmas "Goodie" (cheeseballs, cookies, or finger sandwiches) ready to share with others at the reception after the Pageant. Drinks will be provided by Presbyterian Women. If you have any questions, please call Jo Deckard, 477-4598, or Lisa Drummond, 477-9818.

### NEWSLETTER INFO

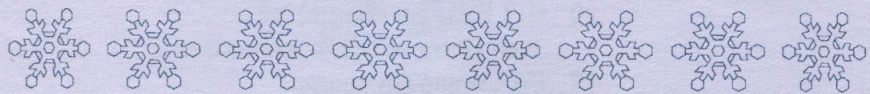
Our next **newsletter deadline** will be **Sunday, January 14** for our **February issue**. Please have all your articles to the church office as soon as possible but please, no later than the deadline.

# REACHING OUT TO OTHERS



## Baptisms

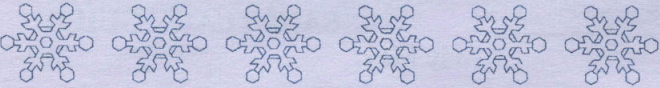
Silas John Nuernberger 10/8/00  
Mia Frances Frenduto 11/19/00



**MANY THANKS!**



To Paul and Wendy Hofmann for organizing and leading this year's Lovefeast, and to the many volunteers who gave their time and effort in making our celebration a huge success!



## Prayers

*Please keep the following people in your prayers:*

**Prayer needs** this week include:

Betty Blanchard (at Spring Arbor), Becky Bowden, Etheline Cupp, Helen Higgins, John Horner, Mac McLeod

### Friends & Relatives

Alisa Chavez's father (Gerald Frazier), Ed Coman's mother (Catherine M. Coman), John & Dot Faulkenbury's daughter-in-law (Pat Bryan), Ada Fawcett's daughter-in-law (Susan Fawcett), Cindy Huffman's mother (Arlene Brown) and sister (Christina Somay), Judy May's mother (Olean Parks), Len Stockburger's mother (Wilma), Gail Vander Weide's father (Leonard Beare), Rene Wicker's cousin (Spurgeon Canady), J.D. Wilson's sister (Catherine Wilson).

*\*and all our homebound members & friends*

*If you know of someone in need of prayer, please contact the church office or the Congregational Care Committee's moderator, Yvonne Crumpacker, at 489-9460.*

*If you would like to add or remove a name from this list, or if you desire to add specific information about a loved one's prayer needs, please call the church office at 682-3865. We depend upon you to help us keep this list updated.*



# TRINITY AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN

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## RESPONSIBLE DECEMBER 1 – 31, 2000

### INFANT NURSERY (6 wks. - 14 mos.)

- 03 *Volunteer Needed*
- 10 *Volunteer Needed*
- 17 The Blakes
- 24 Lisa Drummond
- 31 Lisa Drummond

### 2S AND 3S

- 03 *Volunteer Needed*
- 10 *Volunteer Needed*
- 17 *Volunteer Needed*
- 24 *Volunteer Needed*
- 31 *Volunteer Needed*

### PRE - K

- 03 *Volunteer Needed*
- 10 Paul & Kirsten Bilden
- 17 Greg & Kathy Cates
- 24 *Volunteer Needed*
- 31 *Volunteer Needed*

### KINDERGARTEN

- 03 *Volunteer Needed*
- 12 Children's Church
- 19 Children's Church
- 26 Children's Church
- 31 Children's Church

### 9:00 AM COMMUNION

- 03 Hildur & Bob Blake
- 10 Carol & Chris Leach
- 17 Carol Kurtz
- 24 Pat & Don McIntire
- 31 Phyllis & Dan Cagle

### USHERS

- 09:00 Al Thom
- 11:00 Len Stockburger (in charge)  
Sunny Wooden  
Tyler Wooden  
Bill Wicker

### GREETERS

- 03 Doors Bill & Elaine Ross  
Ramp Betty Bradford
- 10 Doors Heather Fitzwilliam &  
Judy Harris  
Ramp Carol Rose
- 17 Doors Russ & Joanne Kesler  
Ramp Amy Kesler
- 24 Doors Noel & Virginia Johnston  
Ramp Dan Morgan & Joan Austin
- 31 Doors Noel & Cathy Tillett  
Ramp Flo Bivins

### COUNTERS

- 03 Al Thom (in charge)  
Corlis Wood & Esther Krigbaum
- 10 Bill Ross (in charge)  
Tom Berry & Mark Ahrendsen
- 17 Ed Coman (in charge)  
Dan Morgan & Martha Sparks
- 24 Chris Perry (in charge)  
Tricia Truax
- 31 Jeff Reedy (in charge)  
Daryn Berlin & Susan Ross

### CLOSING

- 03 Leslie Lobaugh 493-4418
- 10 Mark Ahrendsen 408-8110
- 17 Daryn Berlin 471-5048
- 24 Chris Leach 383-8854
- 31 Jon Inglefield 309-0817

### SANCTUARY GUILD

- Judy May 383-2342

### ACOLYTE PARENT IN CHARGE

- 03 Nancy Carstens 382-1962
- 10 Suzanne Freeman 383-9088
- 17 Susan Ross 383-0586
- 24 Margaret Reeves 490-0679
- 31 Sara Williams 477-2872